

The Sheboygan Activity Center Commission on Aging
May 3, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Present: Ald. Joe Heidemann, Richard Manny, Ald. Kevin Matichuck, Cher Pao Vang, Mary Nowacki, Marilyn Montemayor, Wendy Schmitz, and Laura Gumm.
Guest – Jim Amodeo. Commission Member Prospects - Jan Pederson and Ed Surek

Meeting was called to order by Wendy Schmitz at 8:00 a.m. with Pledge of Allegiance

March minutes approved as written.

Communications:

Wendy said that the newsletter continues to be a successful tool for recruiting new members. A woman said she had found out about all of the activities by reading the newsletter at her doctor's office. She recently came to the Senior Center, joined and booked a trip. Wendy explained that printing of the newsletter is done by an outside source and advertising in the newsletter is sold to defray the cost of the printing. After the printing costs are settled, the Senior Center gets back about \$3,000 profit to add back into the budget.

Old Business:

- A folder has been created with Senior Center history.
- Friends of the Senior Activity Center information packets on funding raising efforts and Friends involvement were handed out to new Commission member recruitments.

New Business:

- Wendy's reports for March and April were read.
- The mission statement is being revamped.
- Bylaws are being updated.
- It was reiterated that this Commission oversees the operations of the Senior Activity Center.
- There was an ad placed in the Sheboygan Press to recognize Volunteers.
- Marion Helf was presented with a Silver Award for her fitness classes. Kerry Kautzer from cable tv accepted the award for her.
- WSCS highlights monthly events and programs and Wendy would like some help hosting it, if anyone is interested in helping out.
- There are 90 new Senior Center members since the beginning of 2012.
- Bike riding/hiking/sky diving are just a few of the exciting things the Senior Center has planned over the next few months.
- 793 people were served by the Senior Center for tax support this spring.
- Blue Harbor hosted the WI Volunteer Coordinators Associate meeting and many of the Senior Center volunteer attended it.

- Senior Center volunteers are helping train Navi, the bloodhound Sheboygan Rescue Dog.
- Dot is helping with the efforts to raise funds for the renovation project by making contacts for solicitations. The kitchen will be renovated first and we hope to have it done by the end of the year. This is about one-third of the renovation project.
- Annual Meeting is being held at Kiwanis Park May 23, 2012.
- Senior Center plans to develop an annual fund raising effort.
- The Friends website is being upgraded with help from LTC students.
- Some local community leaders are being approached to serve on an Advisory Committee.
- Mary asked if anyone had anything for her to take to next month's ADRC meeting.
- Cher Pao was recognized as being on the Commission the longest and he comments on the growth and prosper of the group. He wondered if we should do anything to recognize other past Commission members.

The next commission meeting will be on June 21, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Laura Gumm